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SUBJECT: HELLENIKON SUBGROUP MEETING JULY 11

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1. HELLENIKON SUBGROUP HELD SIXTH AND FINAL MEETING OF CURRENT ROUND ON JULY 11. US SPOKESMAN REVIEWED PROGRESS MADE AND STATED THAT THE US TEAM WOULD RETURN TO WASHINGTON TO DETERMINE IF PERSONNEL REDUCTIONS BELOW THE 1150 LEVEL WERE POSSIBLE. THE GREEK PROPOSAL REGARDING RELOCATION OF THE RECONNAISSANCE FUNCTIONS WAS NOTED WITH THE COMMENT THAT IT WOULD BE EXPENSIVE AND TIME CONSUMING, HOWEVER, THE PROPOSAL WOULD BE EXAMINED.

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2. GREEK SPOKESMAN REITERATED POSITION THAT A GAP EXISTS

BETWEEN US AND GREEK INTERPRETATION OF "SIGNIFICANT REDUCTIONS," AND THAT US PERSONNEL SHOULD NUMBER FEWER THAN GREEK IF BASE IS TO BE HELLENIZED. IT WAS FURTHER STATED THAT THE COMPARISON SHOULD BE OF MILITARY PERSONNEL. WITH REGARD TO RELOCATIONS, THE GREEK SIDE REITERATED RECEPTIVENESS TO ANY US PROPOSAL. ONCE AGAIN, MENTION WAS MADE OF THE EFFECT ON HELLENIKON DISCUSSIONS OF OTHER EVENTS, PARTICULARLY NATO TALKS IN BRUSSELS. GREEK OFFICERS INDICATED THEY WOULD ATTEMPT TO GAIN SOME FLEXIBILITY IN GREEK POSITION FROM THEIR POLITICAL SUPERIORS PRIOR TO NEXT ROUND.

3. IT WAS AGREED THAT TIMING OF NEXT ROUND WOULD BE DETERMINED BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT.
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